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**ABBIE HOFFMAN
(SUMMARY)**

PART 11 OF 26

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SUBJECT ABBOTT H. HOFFMAN

FILE Headquarters 100-449923

SECTION 11 OF 17

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-449923)

DATE: 5/28/71

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-161445)

SUBJECT: ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN, aka
SM-ANA
(KEY ACTIVIST)
(EXTREMIST)
(OO:NY)

The deadline for the submission of a report in this matter is 5/28/71.

Due to other expeditious matters being handled by the case agent, this report will reach the Bureau on or before 6/21/71.

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FROM : LEGAT, PARIS (176-1)RUC

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Records of the Passport Section, American Embassy, Paris, contain no information concerning [REDACTED] and we have not been advised that HOFFMAN [REDACTED] have come to the attention of our sources. This case is therefore being placed in an RUC status subsequent to being reopened in the event some additional information is received at some future date. (R)u

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NYrep of SA **[REDACTED]**

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Individuals and organizations mentioned in this report were characterized where information was available and suitable to characterize the individuals and where Bureau approved characterizations were available to characterize the organizations. (u)

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The subject is the subject of an Anti-Riot Laws case in which Chicago is the Office of Origin. (u)

The subject is also the subject of an Anti-Riot Laws case in which Washington Field is the Office of Origin. (u)

The New Haven Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who received the information from [REDACTED] on 4/25/71. (u)

The Washington Field Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who received the information concerning the issuance of a warrant for the subject's arrest on 5/5/71. (u)

SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] observed the subject's arraignment before Commissioner EARL N. BISHOPP on 5/6/71. (u)

SA [REDACTED] obtained the information from Commissioner EARL N. BISHOPP on 5/6/71. (u)

The Washington Field Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who received the information concerning the subject's indictment by the Federal Grand Jury in Washington, DC, on 5/13/71. (u)

SA [REDACTED] obtained the information from Chief AUSA HAROLD BAER, Jr., SDNY, on 5/14/71, and 5/18/71. (u)

The Washington Field Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who received the information concerning the subject's arraignment in Washington, DC, on 6/2/71. (u)

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The Chicago Office did not furnish the identities of the employees who received information from AUSA JAMES BREEN on 1/26/71 and 1/28/71. (u)

The Chicago Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who received information from AUSA JAMES BREEN on 3/12/71. (u)

The Chicago Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who received information from [REDACTED] CA, Chicago, Illinois, on 3/12/71. (u) b7c

SA [REDACTED] obtained the information from [REDACTED] an Am, 200 Park Avenue., NYC, on 3/17/71. (u)

SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] observed the subject and the unknown female board Pan Am Flight 114 at JFKIA, Queens, NY, on 3/18/71. (u)

SA [REDACTED] obtained the information from [REDACTED] Pan Am Terminal, JFKIA, Queens, NY, on 3/18/71. (u)

SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] observed the arrival of Pan Am Flight 119 on 3/21/71, and also reviewed the Customs Declarations of passengers on 3/21/71. (u)

The Chicago Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who received information from AUSA JAMES BREEN on 3/23/71, and 3/24/71. (u)

SA [REDACTED] obtained the information from Mr. [REDACTED] BOAC, NYC, on 3/23/71, and 3/24/71. (u)

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SAS [redacted] and [redacted] observed the subject arrive at JFKIA, Queens, NY, on 3/24/71; also received the information from [redacted] US Customs, JFKIA, Queens, NY, on 3/24/71. (u)

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The Chicago Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who received information from Deputy US Marshal [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, on 4/16/71. (u)

The Albany Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who received the information from [redacted] New York Department of State, Albany, NY, on 2/10/71. (u)

SA [redacted] observed the subject speak at Rider College, Lawrenceville, New Jersey, on 4/4/71. (u)

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The Oklahoma City Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who obtained the information from [redacted] on 4/7/71. (u)

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SAS [redacted] and [redacted] monitored and recorded the subject's speech at Oklahoma State University on 4/28/71. The tape is being maintained in the Oklahoma City Office. (u)

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The Oklahoma City Office did not furnish the identity of the employee who obtained the information from [redacted] (u)

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SA [redacted] observed the reshewing of the program "Kup's Show", which had originally been telecast in Chicago, Illinois, on 5/8/71. (u)

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SA [REDACTED] taped the "Alan Douglas Program" in Cleveland, Ohio, 5/10/71. The tape is being maintained in the Cleveland Office. (u)

SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] monitored the subject's remarks on the "Arnold Zenker Show" in Baltimore, Maryland, on 5/1/71. The tape is being maintained in the Baltimore Office. (u)

Attached to this report are two (2) copies of an FD 376, one of which is for transmittal to Secret Service, Washington, DC. (u)

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will follow and report on the status of the subject's appeals in the 7th Circuit in connection with his conviction of the Anti-Riot Statute on 2/18/70, and his contempt of court citations. (u)

WASHINGTON FIELD

AT WASHINGTON FIELD, WASHINGTON, DC. Will follow and report upon the subject's activities in Washington, DC. (u)

2. Will follow and report on the subject's trial in Washington, DC, in connection with his indictment by the Federal Grand Jury in Washington, DC, on 5/13/71, for violation of the Anti-Riot Statute. (u)

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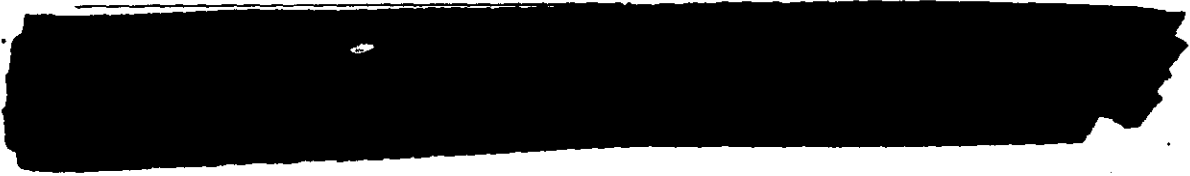
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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will follow and report upon the subject's activities in the New York City area. (u)

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1. ☒ Subject's name is included in the ☒ Security Index ☐ Agitator Index ☐ Reserve Index.
2. ☒ The data appearing on the ☒ Security Index Card ☐ Agitator Index Card are current.
3. ☐ The data appearing on the Reserve Index Card ☐ A ☐ B ☐ are current ☐ have been changed.
4. ☐ Changes on the ☐ Security Index Card ☐ Agitator Index Card are necessary and ☐ Form FD-122 ☐ FD-397 submitted to the Bureau.
5. ☒ A suitable photograph ☒ is ☐ is not available.
Date photograph was taken 7/2/68
6. ☐ Subject is employed in a key facility and _____ is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are _____ **62D**
7. 
8. ☒ Subject previously interviewed (dates) 9/6/68
☒ Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) when previously interviewed, he was evasive and made it clear he was on the opposite side of "things" to the FBI. In addition, he falsely claimed in a press conference on 9/18/68, that Agents visited him every third day in NYC, to obtain information concerning his activities and laughed at him when he asked why they did not investigate police brutality in Chicago. Additional attempts to interview subject could possibly result in embarrassment to the Bureau. (u)
9. ☐ This case no longer meets the ☐ Security Index ☐ Agitator Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation.
10. ☒ This case has been reevaluated in the light of the ☒ Security Index ☐ Agitator Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason) his philosophy and activities portray him as an individual who would constitute a threat to the national defense of the country in time of a national emergency (Instant Report). (u)
11. ☒ Subject's SI card is tabbed ☒ Priority I ☐ Priority II ☐ Priority III.
☒ Subject's activities warrant such tabbing because (state reasons) his philosophy and activities portray him as an individual who would constitute a threat to the national defense of the country in time of a national emergency.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

June 22, 1971

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No. Bufile 100-449923

Director NYfile 100-161445

United States Secret Service

Department of the Treasury

Washington, D. C. 20220

Re: Abbott Howard Hoffman

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☒ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☒ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) ☒ Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) ☒ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) ☒ Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph ☒ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available
☐ may be available through _____

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
 John Edgar Hoover
 Director

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 U. S. Secret Service, NYC (RM) (RRR)

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Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: New York, New York

Date: 6/22/71

Field Office File #:

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Bureau File #: 100-449923

Title:

ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN

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Character:

SECURITY MATTER - ANARCHIST

Synopsis:

ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN maintains his residence in the roof apartment located at 114-116 East 13th Street, NYC, and is self-employed as a writer from his residence. On 5/5/71, an authorized complaint was accepted and a warrant issued in US Courthouse, WDC, based on violation of Title 18, USC, Section 2101 and 22, DC Code 505, in connection with disturbances in WDC, on 5/3/71. Subject was arrested at his residence, NYC, on 5/5/71. General activities reported. Appearances of subject at various institutions of learning set out. Appearances of subject on various television and radio programs set forth. SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:I. BACKGROUNDA. Residence

[REDACTED] that at the present time, the subject and his wife, ANITA HOFFMAN, continue to maintain their residence in the roof apartment located at

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114-116 East 13th Street, New York, New York. (u) **67D**

[REDACTED] that
at that time, ANITA HOFFMAN was among
those individuals comprising the
Youth International Party (YIP), also
known as Yippies, staff. (u)

The YIP is a loosely-knit, anti-establishment,
revolutionary youth organization formed
in New York City (NYC), in January, 1968. (u)

B. Employment **67D**

[REDACTED] that at the present
time, the subject is self-employed as a writer from his
residence. (u)

C. Finances

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[REDACTED] (u)

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Information attributed to [REDACTED] in this report is
not to be made public except in the usual proceedings following
the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to [REDACTED] **67D**

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[REDACTED] (u)

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D. Arrests

1. Arrest in Washington, DC

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On April 7, 1971, [REDACTED] United States Court of Appeals, Washington, DC (WDC), advised SA [REDACTED] that the case of ABBIE HOFFMAN versus the United States (Case Number 23514) in a unanimous opinion, was reversed and a judgement was entered reversing the judgement of the United States District Court. (u)

[REDACTED] further advised that an order was entered on April 1, 1971, amending the opinion but that this amendment pertained only to form and did not affect the substance of the opinion whatsoever. (u)

[REDACTED] stated that this appeal was based on HOFFMAN's conviction on December 20, 1968, in the Court of General Sessions, District of Columbia, on a charge of defiling the American flag by wearing a shirt resembling the flag. (u)

The March 29, 1971, edition of the "Evening Star", a WDC daily newspaper, contained an article on Page A-4 entitled, "Court Rules Hoffman Didn't Desecrate Flag", and written by BARRY KALB. This article stated in part as follows: (u)

"The U. S. Court of Appeals today ruled that the flag-shirt worn by Yippie Abbie Hoffman to a 1968 congressional hearing did not constitute a desecration of the American flag. (u)

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"Hoffman was arrested outside the Cannon House Office building on October 3, 1968, as he was preparing to attend a hearing before the House Internal Security Committee: (u)

"The hearings had been called to investigate the disorders surrounding the Democratic National Convention in Chicago less than two months earlier. (u)

"Hoffman was wearing a shirt made of shiny material whose design resembled parts of the American Flag. On the shirt were pinned two buttons, reading, 'Wallace for President, Stand Up for America,' and 'Vote Pig - Yippie in Sixty-Eight.' (u)

"Judge Charles Fahy, writing the unanimous opinion, ruled that congressional intent in writing the bill was clearly 'to condemn only physical mutilation, defacement or defilement of the Flag,' and that Hoffman's acts did not meet these descriptions. (u)

"'Considering appellee's testimony as to his political views and ideology, we may well assume that the episode had distinct flavor of scarcasm or mockery, with an added element of childishness in his playing of the yo-yo, but appellate's performance to his audience did not include the physical injury to the material of the shirt essential to be proved beyond a reasonable doubt to support a conviction of the crime defined in the statute,' Fahy wrote. (u)

"Judge George M. Mackinnon in one of two concurring opinions, said that a study of the original trial records shows a lack of any evidence to demonstrate a knowing casting of contempt upon the flag by Hoffman." (u)

The "New York Post", a New York City daily newspaper, in its March 30, 1971, issue on page three contained an article entitled, "Abbie Wins and Waves Flag Shirt", which stated in part as follows: (u)

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"Although a federal appeals court has overturned the conviction of Yippie leader Abbie Hoffman for defiling an American flag by turning it into a button-festooned shirt, Hoffman won't wear the shirt again. (u)

"Hoffman says he threw it into the ring after the Muhammad Ali - Joe Frazier heavyweight championship fight and hasn't seen it since. 'I was so disgusted,' Hoffman said. 'I wanted Ali to win.' (u)

"The three-judge appeals court decided yesterday that Hoffman did not defile or desecrate the flag when he showed up for a House Committee on Un-American Activities meeting in October, 1968 decked out in the shirt. In addition to the stars and stripes, the shirt bore buttons reading 'Wallace for President, Stand up for America', and 'Vote Pig Yippie in 1968.' (u)

"In reaching their decision, the judges emphasized that they were not ruling on the Constitutional questions Hoffman raised by arguing that the wearing of the shirt and buttons is protected by the right of free speech." (u)

"The New York Times", a New York City daily newspaper in its March 30, 1971, issue on page 71 contained an article entitled, "Abbie Hoffman's Conviction for Defiling Flag is Upset." (u)

This article which is datelined "Washington, March 29 (AP)", stated as follows: (u)

"A Federal appeals court overturned today the conviction of Abbie Hoffman, the Yippie leader, for defiling the American flag. (u)

"The three-judge panel said Mr. Hoffman did not defile or desecrate the flag when he showed up for a meeting of the House Committee on Un-American Activities dressed in (u)

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"a shirt made in the design of an American flag. On the shirt were buttons reading 'Wallace for President, Stand Up for America' and 'Vote Pig Yippie in 1968.' (u)

"Mr. Hoffman, who had been subpoenaed to appear before the committee in October, 1968, was arrested, found guilty in a local court and sentenced to spend 30 days in jail or pay a \$100 fine. He appealed." (u)

2. Arrest in Connecticut

[REDACTED] Connecticut State Police, [REDACTED] Connecticut advised that ABBOTT HOFFMAN was arrested on April 19, 1971, at 5:30 PM, and charged with Reckless Use of the Highway by a Pedestrian. (u) **67CD**

HOFFMAN was arrested by [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] on Interstate 95. HOFFMAN stated that he was on his way to New Haven, Connecticut to speak on a television show. Bond was set at ten dollars which HOFFMAN could not post. HOFFMAN called BOB NORMAN, a news caster for WNHC-TV, a television station in New Haven, Connecticut, and shortly thereafter BOB NORMAN arrived and posted the ten dollars bond. A court date was set for May 18, 1971, at Bridgeport, Connecticut. (u)

According to [REDACTED], HOFFMAN remarked as he was leaving that he had been made late for his television show in New Haven, so he was going to continue on to Boston, Massachusetts. (u)

3. Anti-Riot Law Violation in Washington, DC

By communication dated May 5, 1971, the Washington Field Office (WFO) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) advised that on May 5, 1971, PAUL VINCENT, Deputy United States Attorney General and DONALD SMITH, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) for the District of Columbia, appeared (u)

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before United States Magistrate ARTHUR L. BURNETT, United States Court House, Washington, DC, at which time an authorized complaint was accepted and warrant issued on the subject charging violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2101 and 22, District of Columbia Code 505, in connection with recent disturbances in Washington, DC, on May 3, 1971. Bond was recommended at \$25,000.00. (u)

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Date 5/7/71

1.

ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN was arrested on May 5, 1971 in the lobby of his residence at 114-116 East 13th Street, New York, New York (NY), at 11:20 p.m. At the time of his arrest, HOFFMAN was accompanied by his wife, ANITA HOFFMAN. HOFFMAN was immediately advised of the charges against him, violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2101, the Anti Riot Law Statute. Immediately following this, HOFFMAN was advised of his rights as they appear on the "Interrogation; Advice of Rights" form. HOFFMAN stated that he understood his rights but he would not sign the "Waiver of Rights" section of the "Interrogation; Advice of Rights" form furnished him. (u)

It was observed that HOFFMAN's nose was covered with a white bandage about four inches in length. HOFFMAN stated that his nose was broken and had sixteen stitches in it. HOFFMAN stated that the injury to his nose was administered to him by a "sadistic cop" in Washington, D.C. He also stated that his nose had been treated in Washington, D.C. (u)

During the arrest of HOFFMAN, ANITA HOFFMAN appeared to be upset but shortly thereafter appeared to be in a calm state. She mentioned to the agents not to hurt HOFFMAN since he had recently had his nose broken. She was advised that no harm would come to him. (u)

At 11:30 p.m., HOFFMAN was transported by automobile from the site of the arrest to the New York Office (NYO) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), 201 East 69th Street, NY, NY. HOFFMAN and the agents arrived at the NYO at 11:50 p.m. (u)

Between 11:50 p.m., May 5, 1971 and 12:36 a.m., May 6, 1971, HOFFMAN was stripped - searched, his property was inventoried and he was fingerprinted and photographed. HOFFMAN declined to be photographed wearing a hat. (u)

At 12:36 a.m., May 6, 1971, HOFFMAN was removed from the NYO for transportation to the Federal House of Detention, 427 West Street, NY, NY. Upon departing from the NYO, two of (u)

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HOFFMAN's attorneys approached HOFFMAN and the agents. One of the attorneys identified himself as FREDERICK H. COHN, 640 Broadway, NY, NY. They were advised that they could talk to HOFFMAN at the Federal House of Detention. (u)

FREDERICK COHN
At 1:00 a.m., May 6, 1971, HOFFMAN and the agents arrived at the Federal House of Detention. Between 1:05 a.m. and 1:10 a.m., HOFFMAN was permitted to confer with the two attorneys within the view of the agents. (u)

At 1:15 a.m., May 6, 1971, HOFFMAN was turned over to the custody of the Federal House of Detention. (u)

The following description of HOFFMAN was obtained from observation and interview: (u)

(u) → Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	Five feet, six inches
Weight	150 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Brown-long and curly
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Swarthy
Scars and Marks	Scar on front left lip; stitches on bridge of nose and upper lip; one inch scar outside upper left thigh and appendectomy scar on lower side of stomach
Clothing	Wearing spotted white T-shirt; two-toned brown shirt; tan corduroy pants; black high top boots and beige leather jacket
Residence	114-116 East 13th Street, NY, NY
→ Employment	Writer-self-employed

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On May 6, 1971, SA [REDACTED] provided Chief AUSA, Southern District of New York (SDNY) HAROLD BAER, Jr., Federal Court House, Foley Square, NYC, with a copy of the complaint and warrant which had been issued in Washington, DC. (u)

HOFFMAN
On May 6, 1971, the subject and his attorneys, GERALD LEFCOURT and FREDERICK COHN, after conferring with Chief AUSA HAROLD BAER, Jr., appeared before United States Commissioner (USC), SDNY EARL N. BISHOPP, Federal Court House, Foley Square, NYC, and refused to waive a preliminary hearing. (u)

A preliminary hearing was set for May 17, 1971, in the Federal Court House, Foley Square, NYC, and bond was set at \$20,000.00. His bond restrictions are that he remain in the continental United States. (u)

The USC released the subject until 4:30 PM, May 6, 1971, on his own recognizance at which time he was to reappear to produce ten percent of his bond of \$20,000.00 or he would be remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal. (u)

On May 6, 1971, USC BISHOPP advised that the subject had presented the required \$2,000.00 in cash to the clerk of the United States District Court, SDNY, NYC, at 4:30 PM on that date. The subject signed his personal recognizance bond and departed. (u)

The March, 1969, issue of "Rights", self described as a publication of the National Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (NECLC) formerly known as the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC), on page 12, reported that on February 1, (1969) the NECLC welcomed GERALD LEFCOURT to its staff as Legislative Director. (u)

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The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" of December 1, 1961, by the Committee on Un-American Activities stated the ECLC was established in 1951, and "although representing itself as a non-communist group, actually operates as a front for the Communist Party." The ECLC changed its name in 1968 to the NECLC to "develop a vital civil liberties organization in all 50 states as rapidly as possible." (u)

By communication dated May 13, 1971, the WFO, FBI advised that on May 13, 1971, an indictment was returned by the Federal Grand Jury (FGJ) in WDC, charging the subject with violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2101, 231 (A) (3) (Interstate Travel with Intent to Organize, Promote, Encourage and Participate in a Riot; Obstructing, Impeding and Interfering With a Law Enforcement Officer During the Commission of a Civil Disorder). This indictment was received by Chief Judge J. SIRICA, United States District Court (USDC), for the District of Columbia immediately following its return. (u)

On May 14, 1971, Chief AUSA HAROLD BAER, Jr., SDNY, Federal Court House, Foley Square, NYC, advised that due to changes in rules in Federal procedure, USC EARL N. BISHOPP, SDNY, would not have powers formally attributed to USC's as of 12:00 noon on May 17, 1971, and that therefore the subject's preliminary hearing would not be held at 2:00 PM on May 17, 1971, as previously scheduled. He stated that the subject's preliminary hearing would probably be held at 2:00 PM on May 18, 1971, before a United States Magistrate (USM). He also stated that he had heard that the subject would waive the establishment of identity at the preliminary hearing at which time the USM would order the subject to appear for arraignment in Washington, DC, in connection with his indictment by the FGJ on May 13, 1971. (u)

On May 18, 1971, Chief AUSA HAROLD BAER, Jr., SDNY, Federal Court House, Foley Square, NYC, advised that at 2:00 (u)

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PM on May 18, 1971, the subject together with his attorney GERALD LEFCOURT appeared before USM HAROLD J. RABY, SDNY, Federal Court House, Foley Square, NYC, for a removal hearing. The subject waived the establishment of identity and was served with a certified copy of the indictment which was returned by the FGJ in Washington, DC, on May 13, 1971, and which satisfied probable cause. (u)

The USM ordered the subject to appear before the USDC for the District of Columbia, Washington, DC, on June 2, 1971, for arraignment in the charge contained in the indictment. The subject's bail of \$20,000.00 was continued to cover his appearance in the USDC on June 2, 1971. (u)

Chief AUSA BAER, Jr. further advised that Attorney GERALD LEFCOURT attempted to get the subject's personal appearance waived for the removal hearing because of an alleged back injury (slipped disc) but that he refused and the subject personally appeared at the removal hearing. (u)

On June 2, 1971, JOSEPH TAFE, Departmental Attorney, United States Department of Justice, WDC, advised that the subject appeared before Judge J. LEWIS SMITH, USDC, for the District of Columbia, WDC, at 9:30 AM on June 2, 1971, for arraignment. The subject was accompanied by his Attorney GERALD LEFCOURT. The subject entered a plea of not guilty and was continued on \$20,000.00 bail which has been transferred to the USDC for the District of Columbia. The subject is to reappear in the USDC for the District of Columbia, WDC, on July 21, 1971, on which date Judge SMITH will rule on routine motions made at the hearing. (u)

B. APPROX

May 6, 1971, that ABBOTT HOFFMAN, RENNIE DAVIS and JOHN FROINES had been in Newark, New Jersey, on the evening of May 6, 1971, and had met with LEONARD WEINGLASS. [REDACTED] he had no information of any other individuals who met with this group or where the group might have met. (u)

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LEONARD WEINGLASS was a co-counsel in the so-called Chicago Conspiracy Trial held in Chicago, Illinois, involving those individuals including ABBOTT HOFFMAN, RENNIE DAVIS and JOHN FROINES, who were on trial for violation of the Federal Anti-Riot Statutes, as a result of their actions surrounding the Democratic National Convention held in August, 1968, in Chicago, Illinois. (u)

On February 18, 1970, ABBIE HOFFMAN and RENNIE DAVIS were found guilty in the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois for violating the Federal Anti-Riot Law Statute for traveling in interstate commerce from outside the State of Illinois with intent to incite riots in Chicago, Illinois, during the Democratic National Convention in August, 1968. On February 20, 1970, they were sentenced to five years imprisonment and fined \$5,000.00. On February 28, 1970, the United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois ordered them released on \$25,000.00 bond, pending appeal of their conviction. (u)

"The Evening News", a Newark, New Jersey daily publication in its May 7, 1971, issue on page 20 contained an article entitled "Anti-War Activists Say Protests Will Continue", which stated in part as follows: (u)

"Leaders of the just concluded anti-war protests in Washington said in Newark yesterday that the government can expect more of the same as long as the war in Indochina continues. (u)

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"In a press conference at Newark Airport, RENNIE T. DAVIS, ABBIE HOFFMAN and JOHN FROINES also predicted that the government would indict scores of protestors in the wake of demonstrations in Washington, but that the charges won't stick. They were accompanied by their lawyer, LEONARD WEINGLASS of Newark. (u)

"The three men, who were defendants in the Chicago Seven trial, are under new indictments in connection with their activities in Washington and elsewhere. All are free on bail. (u)

"HOFFMAN said he expects '30 to 50 more people to be indicted as a result of the recent protests' because the 'NIXON administration is attempting to blame us for all the ills of American society.' (u)

"Sporting a bandage on his nose, the Yippie leader said the recent indictments are the result of NIXON administration attempts to suppress protest. (u)

"'A couple of years ago the Justice Department decided to put us in jail,' HOFFMAN commented, adding, 'They failed in Chicago so now they are trying again.' (u)

"Contrary to most evaluations of the protests in Washington, the three last night said the activities were a giant success. (u)

"HOFFMAN, referring to the bandage over his broken nose which, he said he got it by assaulting a policeman's club with his nose in Washington. (u)

"'We'll be back this summer in Washington,' he said. (u)

"DAVIS, HOFFMAN and FROINES, a 32 year old former Chemistry instructor at the University of Oregon, were joined (u)

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"at the press conference by WEINGLASS who was a defense attorney during the six month trial in Chicago. (u)

"DAVIS and HOFFMAN were convicted in the trial of inciting to riot during the 1968 Democratic convention and FROINES was acquitted. All are appealing contempt of court citations." (u)

The "Star - Ledger" a Newark, New Jersey daily newspaper in its May 7, 1971, issue on page 14 contained an article entitled "RENNIE and ABBIE Say Protestors Won in D.C.", which stated in part as follows: (u)

"Accompanied by University of Oregon professor JOHN FROINES, Yippie leader ABBIE HOFFMAN and attorney LEONARD WEINGLASS, DAVIS claimed 'the government suffered defeat by the demonstrations in Washington,' and there would be a national conference of anti-war groups to plan a second attempt to implement the peace treaty and end the war. (u)

"HOFFMAN also predicted that 30 to 50 anti-war activists will be indicted soon as a result of a grand jury just empaneled in Washington, DC. (u)

"'Grand juries are rubber stamps,' HOFFMAN charged. 'We expect more charges. The government can't accept the fact that it is morally and politically bankrupt.' (u)

"Although demonstrators' attempts to 'close down the government' failed to do more than tie up traffic during rush hour on Monday, FROINES declared again last night, 'We're going to shut down the government.' (u)

"He described the series of demonstrations as a 'most momentous event.' (u)

"HOFFMAN went him one further. (u)

"'It was the greatest event since we demolished the Democratic Party in '68,' he declared, referring to the demonstrations and violence during the Democratic Convention in (u)

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"Chicago which led to the conspiracy charges against the Chicago Seven." (u)

II. FOREIGN TRAVEL (u)

A. Canada (u)

On January 26, 1971, AUSA JAMES BREEN, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois, made available a copy of a motion filed that date with the United States Court of Appeals (USCA), Seventh Circuit, Chicago, by counsel acting on behalf of HOFFMAN. (u)

This motion requested permission of the USCA for HOFFMAN to travel to Toronto and London, Province of Ontario, Canada, from on or about February 2, 1971, through on or about February 4, 1971. The purpose of this travel was to enable HOFFMAN to fulfill an invitation to speak at Fanshaw College, London, and to tape a television show and confer with his lawyers in Toronto. (u)

HOFFMAN advised in this motion that he did not know where he would be staying while in London or Toronto, but while in Canada he could be contacted through his Canadian attorney, IAN SCOTT, 121 Richmond Street, West Toronto. (u)

On January 28, 1971, AUSA JAMES BREEN advised that the USCA, Chicago, had issued an order that date authorizing the Canadian travel of HOFFMAN as requested in his motion of January 26, 1971. (u)

The "New York Daily Mirror" a New York City daily newspaper in its February 4, 1971, issue on page 9 contained an article entitled, "Canada Sends Abbie Back to U.S. Again". (u)

This article which is datelined "Toronto (UPI)", stated in part as follows: (u)

"American Yippie Leader ABBIE HOFFMAN is back in the United States. He was refused entry to Canada for the second time in a month. (u)

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"Accompanied by Toronto lawyer IAN SCOTT, HOFFMAN arrived at Toronto International Airport Wednesday. Five hours later, he was headed back to New York City aboard an American Airlines flight. (u)

"SCOTT, a specialist in immigration cases, said he had never had a case where the visitor had been refused admittance. He immediately filed an appeal with the Immigration Department's appeals board and served request for bail to the board to allow HOFFMAN to remain in Canada while waiting for his appeal to come up. (u)

"I guess someone in immigration decided that they didn't want the appeals board to make the decision about bail," said SCOTT. He referred to the hearing as 'an example of overkill. They just bundled him up and put him on a plane.' (u)

"SCOTT quoted the special inquiry officer of the Immigration Department as stating 'HOFFMAN had been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude' and this was the reason he was refused admittance. (u)

"HOFFMAN had attempted to enter Canada last January 13 at Buffalo's Peace Bridge border crossing but was turned back after a three hour detention. On both occasions, HOFFMAN was attempting to appear on the television program, 'Under Attack.' (u)

B. Europe (u)

On March 12, 1971, AUSA JAMES BREEN, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois, advised that on March 11, 1971, counsel for HOFFMAN had filed a motion with the USCA, Seventh Circuit, Chicago. The motion had requested permission from the USCA for HOFFMAN to travel to Paris, France, from on or about March 14, 1971, through on or about March 17, 1971. (u)

According to this motion, HOFFMAN indicated as the purpose of this travel an effort to arrange for a French publisher of his books. He had no Paris residence accommodations as of the date the motion was filed. He advised, however, (u)

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that while he was in Paris, he could be contacted through M. Mario Machueck, Editions Robert Laffont, 24 Rue Poliveau. No further details regarding this travel were contained in HOFFMAN's motion. "

On March 12, 1971, [REDACTED] b7C
USCA, Chicago, advised that on that date the USCA had entered an order approving HOFFMAN's travel to Paris as requested. "

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Pan American Airways (Pan Am), 200 Park Avenue, NYC, advised on March 17, 1971, that according to records of Pan Am, A. HOFFMAN was booked with Pan Am to leave NYC for Paris, France on Pan Am Flight 114 at 8:30 PM on March 18, 1971. HOFFMAN was also booked for Pan Am Flight 119 leaving Paris, France for NYC at 6:00 PM Paris, France time on March 21, 1971.

[REDACTED] that M. BACKER was booked for Pan Am Flight 114 leaving NYC for Paris, France at 8:30 PM on March 18, 1971. BACKER had an open return ticket. "

On March 18, 1971, SAS of the FBI observed ABBOTT HOFFMAN together with an unknown female board Pan Am Flight 114 at 8:15 PM at John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFKIA), Queens, New York (NY). This flight departed NY, at 8:30 PM and was scheduled to arrive at Paris, France at 9:30 AM Paris time. "

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The unknown female was white, early 20's, five feet, two inches, 120 pounds, short brown hair, light complexion. She was wearing a dark grey floppy hat, dark blue or black long coat, light green turtle-neck sweater, tan slacks and brown shoes. (u)

The SAS also observed that DAVID DELLINGER, arrived at Ticket Gate Number 5 at JFKIA with ABBOTT HOFFMAN and the unknown female. DELLINGER left Ticket Gate Number 5 after engaging in farewells with ABBOTT HOFFMAN and the unknown female at 8:10 PM. (u)

On February 18, 1970, DAVID DELLINGER was found guilty in the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois for violating the Anti-Riot Law Statute for travelling in interstate commerce from outside the State of Illinois with intent to incite riots in Chicago, Illinois, during the Democratic National Convention in August, 1968. On February 20, 1970, he was sentenced to five years imprisonment and fined \$5,000.00. On February 28, 1970, the United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois, ordered him released on \$25,000.00 bond, pending appeal of his conviction. (u)

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[REDACTED] Pan Am [REDACTED] JFKIA, Queens, New York, advised on March 18, 1971, that tickets in names of A. HOFFMAN and M. BACKER were purchased at the Pan Am ticket office in NYC on March 17, 1971, by check and that the drawer of the check was not shown on the tickets. There were no notations of passport numbers on the tickets. A. HOFFMAN used ticket number 026248068/669 and M. BACKER used ticket number 026248068/666. (u)

On March 21, 1971, SAS of the FBI observed passengers who arrived at JFKIA, Queens, New York, aboard Pan Am Flight at 8:15 PM from Paris, France. ABBOTT HOFFMAN, who had reservations for this flight, was not observed. (u)

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On March 21, 1971, the SAS of the FBI reviewed the Customs Declarations of all passengers aboard Pan Am Flight 119 submitted to the United States Customs Agents at JFK and no such declarations in names of ABBOTT HOFFMAN or MINDY BACKER, who had accompanied HOFFMAN to Paris, France from NYC, on March 18, 1971, were located.

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On March 23, 1971, AUSA JAMES BRENN, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois, made available a copy of an emergency motion which was at that time filed with the USCA, Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois, by counsel acting on behalf of the subject.

This motion requested the USCA to issue an order approving the subject's travel to Belfast, Northern Ireland, during the period March 21, 1971, through March 26, 1971.

On March 24, 1971, AUSA JAMES BRENN advised that late on March 23, 1971, Chief Judge LUTHER SWYGERT, USCA, Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois, issued an order which denied the subject's motion requesting court approval of travel to Belfast, Northern Ireland, in the period March 21, 1971, through March 26, 1971.

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Overseas Airways Corporation (BOAC), NYC, advised on March 23, 1971, that according to the records of BOAC, A. HOFFMAN made a booking in London, England on March 22, 1971, for BOAC Flight 541 out of Belfast, Ireland at 12:00 noon on March 23, 1971, for connection with BOAC Flight 537 at Prestwick, Scotland at 2:55 PM on March 23, 1971. Flight 537 was due to arrive at NYC at 4:10 PM on March 23, 1971. However, A. HOFFMAN failed to appear for Flight 541 in Belfast, Ireland or Flight 537 in Prestwick, Scotland.

[REDACTED] advised on March 24, 1971,
that according to BOAC records, A. HOFFMAN had a booking for
BOAC Flight 591 leaving London, England at 11:00 AM on
March 24, 1971 and arriving in NYC at 12:50 PM on March 24,
1971.

On March 24, 1971, SAS of the FBI observed ABBOTT HOFFMAN arrive at the BOAC Terminal at JFKIA, Queens, NY, at 12:57 PM aboard BOAC Flight 591 from London, England. HOFFMAN was alone. HOFFMAN was also observed departing the airport alone at 1:25 PM by taxi cab.

United States Customs, JFKIA, Queens, NY, advised on March 24,

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1971, that ABBOTT HOFFMAN was given a thorough search by Customs Agents and was carrying no recording tapes of any kind or other suspicious material. (u)

67C [REDACTED] that a review of Immigration records at JFKIA concerning Flight 591 disclosed that there was no passenger using the name M. BACKER. (u)

On April 16, 1971, Deputy United States Marshal [REDACTED] Chicago, Illinois, made available a copy of an order issued by the USCA, Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois, on April 15, 1971, which states that the subject may not apply for permission to depart the continental United States for a period of 90 days from the date of the order. (u)

III. ACTIVITIES

A. WPAX, Incorporated

67C [REDACTED] On February 10, 1971, [REDACTED] Division of Corporations, New York Department of State, Albany, New York, advised that his files showed the corporate name WPAX, Incorporated was reserved for a period of 60 days beginning February 18, 1971, for the subject. His file number for this reservation is 888988. This reservation was contained in a letter dated February 5, 1971, written from the law firm of Lefcourt Garfinkle Crain Conn Sandler Lefcourt Kraft and Stolar, 640 Broadway, New York, New York, and signed by the subject. (u)

The body of the letter is set out below: (u)

"The undersigned, Abbott H. Hoffman, does hereby apply pursuant to Section 303 of the Not for Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York, for the reservation of a corporate name for a period of sixty days, and for that purpose does hereby set forth: (u)

"1. The name of the applicant is Abbott H. Hoffman. (u)

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"2. The address of applicant is Box 410, Cooper Station, N.Y., N.Y. 10003, City of New York, County of New York, State of New York. (u)

"3. The corporate name to be reserved is WPAX, Inc. (u)

"4. The basis for this application under paragraph A Section 303 of the Not For Profit Corporation Law of the State of N.Y. is that the applicant is (u)

"a. A person intending to form a domestic corporation. (u)

"Dated 2/5/71 (u)

"Signature of Applicant s/Abbie Hoffman" (u)

"The Village Voice", a weekly New York City newspaper in its issue of February 11, 1971, on page 8 contained an article written by HOWARD SMITH under the heading "Scenes" which stated in part as follows: (u)

"Occasionally I hear about an idea that sounds great, but just too complicated ever to come off. That was my attitude when I first heard about the formation of WPAX Radio as a way to provide GIs in Vietnam with news, music, and features totally free from Army censorship, thanks to Radio Hanoi's transmitters. (u)

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"But after talking to JOHN GIORNO who, with ABBIE HOFFMAN and JOHN GABREE, is spearheading the WPAX effort. I concluded that the whole thing is really about ready to happen. RENNIE DAVIS and some of the May Day people negotiated with the North Vietnamese Paris Peace delegates, and they agreed to begin airing WPAX tapes on March 1. (u)

"Half and full-hour segments, all produced by different people, will comprise each four-hour program. Aside (u)

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"from commitments from an impressive assortment of writers, poets, artists, and rock groups, GIORNO and friends, are also openly seeking tapes from all over the country, to be sent to P.O. Box 410, Cooper Station, New York 10003. Reels for each week will be assembled in New York, and flown by a circuitous route to Hanoi where they'll arrive on Friday, in time for Saturday air-play. At first, the tapes may be heard as infrequently as once a week, but as more are put together, they may be used daily. Radio Hanoi, which now broadcasts a kind of rhetoric-ridden diatribe that isn't much more interesting to our soldiers than the stodgy U. S. Army network, has good air reception all over South Vietnam, except for part of the Mekong Delta, where for some reason jamming is done. (u)

"GIORNO says that while WPAX's programming will be clearly anti-war, it won't carry heavy political raps or feature any Tokyo Rose-stype lay down your arms and surrender number. It'll be free form in style. Lots of music - soul, folk, underground rock, and jazz. The kind of war news that soldiers never hear in Southeast Asia. All kinds of material never carried on tight-format GI stations, such things as rap sessions about the problems of Viet vets. The general direction of WPAX will be set by an 'advisory board' of prominent-type people. (u)

"I wondered what legal tactics WPAX might use to counterofficial pressure, so I called the Law Commune, and spoke to a member who is advising WPAX. He told me that he and many other lawyers feel that both the constitutional definition of treason and the Trading with the Enemy Act can be applied clearly only during a declared state of war, and that since Congress has never declared Vietnam an official war, neither attack could be used against WPAX in this case. He further explained that WPAX was only a non-profit corporation in the business of making tapes for commercial and educational radio programs, and that it had sent letters offering its (u)

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"programming, free of charge, to the Armed Forces Network, Radio Free Europe, the Voice of America, and the Washington Embassy of the South Vietnamese government, as well as to radical broadcasters in Germany and Japan and Radio Hanoi. (u)

"WPAX's lawyer described the purpose of the broadcast as being solely 'to provide music, news from the homefront, legal advice, and other items of particular interest to people in the military. In no way will there be shows that encourage desertion or rebellion.'" (u)

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The September 3, 1970 issue of the "New York Daily News", a daily NYC newspaper, contained an article captioned, "Dial-A-Radical Gives Leftist New Soap Box", which sets forth in part that an exhibition at the Museum of Natural Art, 11 West 53rd Street, NYC, called, "Dial-A-Poem", gives the listener two minutes of taped revolutionary rhetoric from contemporary radicals. The museum, which has banker DAVID ROCKEFELLER as its Chairman and Governor ROCKEFELLER as one of its trustees, pays \$284 a month for the tapes and telephones, which are the brainchild of Village poet JOHN GIORNO, 33 years old. According to the article, "GIORNO reasons that all revolutionaries are, at heart, poets, and should be heard by as wide an audience as possible." (u)

"The Village Voice", a weekly NYC newspaper, January 1, 1970 issue, under the heading, "Scenes" written by ~~HOWARD SMITH~~, set forth in part that "JOHN GIORNO, Creator of the now defunct Dial-A-Poem (out of business due to lack of money and problems with the Telephone Company) has come up with a new medium for urban revolutionaries called Guerrilla Radio." The article sets forth that GIORNO was planning to broadcast below 100 milowatts as part of a 30 hour marathon New Years Eve happening at St. Mark's in the Bowery. (u)

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The "Guardian" is self-described as an "independent radical news weekly" which takes a strong left position but is not identified with any organized group. It is considered to be the largest radical weekly in America. (u)

The August 21, 1969 packet of Liberation News Service (LNS) contains an article on page four concerning the Law Commune.

This article indicates that the Law Commune was recently organized to provide free legal defense for individuals engaged in radical activities, and to organize lawyers with radical sympathies into a movement career.

The LNS is self-described as an underground news wire service, with headquarters in New York City, which publishes news packets weekly that are sold to radical New Left underground newspapers. It was founded in 1967, and reportedly has a paid circulation over 600. (u)

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[REDACTED] that the subject and his wife, ANITA HOFFMAN, appeared on the television conversation show, "Howard Miller's Chicago," aired over television station WBEM-TV, Chicago, Illinois, on May 11, 1971.

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The source furnished an audio recording of the subject's remarks, excerpts from which are set forth as follows regarding WPAX: (u)

→ "ABBIE HOFFMAN:

Well, uhm, first of all its mainly news and music that the Armed Forces network won't broadcast for its own peculiar reasons and a, we have a studio in New York we send a ta--- We offered the tapes to the Armed Forces network, South Vietnam, loads of governments, ah, North Vietnamese will play it on radio Hanoi.

(u) "HOWARD MILLER:

So, in other words you're doing almost the same as Tokyo Rose did to our troops during World War II, basically I think.

"ANITA HOFFMAN:

We're not advocating desertion or uhm assassinate your officers or anything like that, it's really just a, supplemental news which they don't get, uhm...

"HOWARD MILLER:

Like what?

"ANITA HOFFMAN:

Uhm, well, like news about uhm May Day, about veterans against the war, the hearings....

"HOWARD MILLER:

Have any of these tapes ever been a looked at by the Justice Department to see whether or not you a work....

→ "ANITA HOFFMAN:

They probably will be.
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> "ABBIE HOFFMAN:

They watch us make love, not make tapes (Laughing)

"HOWARD MILLER:

Has this not started? Have these tapes started already, the flow to the North Vietnamese?

"ABBIE HOFFMAN:

Well, they have, we sent about 40, 50 hours already, a and a, a as far as we know it hasn't gone on the air yet but we expect it any day for them to start on the air.

"HOWARD MILLER:

Are you using the U.S. Mails to get it over there and how does, how do you process it then into North Vietnamese language?

"ABBIE HOFFMAN:

We use our own air force.

"HOWARD MILLER:

Seriously, how do you get it over there?

(W) "ABBIE HOFFMAN:

We can't say, unfortunately HOWARD the Central Committee will not allow me to divulge that information.

"HOWARD MILLER:

But you are making tapes weekly to send over there and they're being broadcast on North Vietnamese radio.

"ABBIE HOFFMAN:

We're not the only ones. There's a group here in Chicago, radio free people, which makes some excellent tapes. There's groups all around the country that make, JOHN LENNON and

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→ "ABBIE HOFFMAN: (CONT'D)

YOKIWONOW (Ph) made an original half hour tape that's being played. Uhm, but there is a news communication gap, for example, soldiers in the Mecong Delta (Ph) wrote us and told us that it wasn't for three weeks ah, that they even knew that there was an invasion of Laos taking place, and there they were their own troops in the Mecong Delta (Ph) and ah, we are offering it to radio station in Frankfurt, Germany, and Tokyo, and we hope to within six months to reach 75, 80 percent of a, servicemen and servicewomen that are overseas.

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"HOWARD MILLER:

What sort of message do you try to get to our troops overseas, ABBIE? What do you feel is necessary for them to know?

"ANITA HOFFMAN:

I think they just have to know really the truth of what's happening there, like...."

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IV. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

A. Mamaroneck High School
Mamaroneck, New York
January 22, 1971 (u)

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[REDACTED] that on that date, ABBIE HOFFMAN appeared as a paid guest speaker before the American Life and Problems Class in a combined class-conference room at Mamaroneck High School, Palmer Avenue, Mamaroneck, New York (NY), from 12:45 PM to 2:10 PM. (u)

[REDACTED] that ABBIE HOFFMAN'S speech was open only to senior students of Mamaroneck High School [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (u)

[REDACTED] that ABBIE HOFFMAN appeared before approximately 200 senior students and faculty members and that he was attired in an "American Flag shirt". (u)

[REDACTED] that ABBIE HOFFMAN'S speech was rambling in nature and that during his remarks he stated substantially as follows: (u)

ABBIE HOFFMAN said it was illegal for him to wear an American Flag shirt but not for a person like PHYLLIS DILLER (comedienne). The law is illegal for some but not for others. He stressed the inequality of United States law and criticized his recent trial in Chicago, Illinois. He stated that he was judged by people who were out of it and all of the defendants were guilty as soon as they saw their long hair. (u)

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ABBIE HOFFMAN said he is writing a book entitled, "How To Steal" and that with the money from the book he will buy guns and LSD so that when he sees MELVIN LAIRD on television, his mind will be out of it and that he will see a Pig, Pig, Pig. (u)

[REDACTED] that while ABBIE HOFFMAN was speaking, a number of students who were not allowed in the class-conference room were pressing on the door attempting to gain admittance causing a window to be broken. (u) 67D

B. Dade County Young Lawyers
Miami, Florida
February 9, 1971 (u)

[REDACTED], that the subject had arrived in Miami, Florida, during the late afternoon on February 7, 1971, for the purpose of addressing the Dade County Young Lawyers at a luncheon which was scheduled to be held at 12:00 noon on February 9, 1971, at the McAllister Hotel, Miami, Florida. (u)

[REDACTED] that on February 9, 1971, ABBIE HOFFMAN addressed the Dade County Young Lawyers at a luncheon held at the McAllister Hotel, Miami, Florida. (u)

In his address, HOFFMAN discussed free speech and stated it is not generally known but that he is banned in between fifteen and twenty states in the country, including the "51st state, Canada". In Canada, he had the unique distinction of being the only person deported twice. HOFFMAN stated that other than that, we have a system that is based on repressive tolerance. We have a free speech but there is a "high glut". The average American is exposed to sixteen hundred commercials a day, and with such a system built on mass communication, the right of free assembly and free press has to be re-defined. One has to talk about ways to keep communications open to all people. (u)

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HOFFMAN stated he mentioned this because he has just written a book that had been rejected by thirty publishers on moral grounds. (u)

HOFFMAN stated a couple of years ago, he was invited to the "House Un-American Activities Committee" and wore a flag shirt that he had bought in a fashionable New York boutique. The police said he was under arrest for desecrating the American flag. This was interesting, because that night on the Ed Sullivan Show, PHYLLIS DILLER came on with a flag miniskirt and pranced around. HOFFMAN also said that he was "blacked out" on the Merv Griffin Show, even though two weeks before, ROY ROGERS and DALE EVANS, on Hollywood Playhouse, wore the exact same shirts. HOFFMAN said he wore the shirt only as a symbol of our attitude toward all the 2,750,000 laws on the books in this country. It's not the act, but who's doing the act.. "It's not what you do, but who's doing the what." The laws are there to protect the power and the property of the people. (u)

HOFFMAN mentioned the time he returned to Canada with two immigration lawyers, because of the case against him up there. All of a sudden, it was "Yes, sir," and "Welcome back," the royal carpet treatment. When the lawyers came through the door, the whole scene changed. HOFFMAN remarked, "So you see what's going on." (u)

HOFFMAN continued by saying that last year at this time, he was on trial in Chicago. He stated "they were actually sentenced and had the distinction of being sentenced before a verdict was returned." The trial was so weird and metaphysical, according to HOFFMAN, that not even the defendants knew whether they were innocent or guilty. HOFFMAN said it was the usual jury of our peers. If you looked at the jurors, you could in no way conclude they were from the same planet, let alone from the same peers. (u)

HOFFMAN remarked that he did not know why anybody went to Chicago during the convention. He vaguely recalled it had something to do with criticism of the political system. (u)

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Yet the first thing they did in selecting the jury was they had to believe in the system enough to be registered to vote. HOFFMAN stated it was a political trial from the beginning to the end, and that there is no way to have a fair political trial in this country. HOFFMAN recalled when Attorney General RAMSEY CLARK was to testify. He volunteered to be a defense witness. The Government, however, contended that CLARK would tend to prejudice the jury in favor of the defendants. (u)

HOFFMAN stated that when you think about it, the whole world knows that week in Chicago. He said there was no court in America where you could put Mayor DALEY and his kind of people on trial. He remarked that suppose you think Mayor DALEY was responsible, and asked, "Do you think any grand jury is going to indict him?" The law is there to protect the forces of order, not to guarantee the freedom of the people. Until that is changed, there will continue to be trials like the one we had in Chicago. (u)

HOFFMAN stated that in the halls of justice in America, the only justice that can be found is out in the hall, and not just the hall, but also the streets, that we consider to be our courtroom. "When we were thrown in jail, half a million people conspired to cross state lines with the intention to incite a riot. The Bank of America got burned down and out we came." HOFFMAN mentioned that they have no illusions and that without the massive pull, without the demonstrations, they would be sitting in the Cook County Jail now. (u)

"This week," HOFFMAN said, "I watched ALAN SHEPARD desecrate the flag by using it to sell 'Tang' orange juice. General ABRAHMS desecrated the flag by taking it into Laos. Desecration of the flag, like what is is to be an American, apparently is a state of mind." (u)

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Following his speech, HOFFMAN participated in a question and answer period. At the beginning, he stated that it was costing a lot of money to go to the Supreme Court and that if people wanted to help out in the legal aspect, they could write out a check to the Chicago Conspiracy Defense Fund. (u)

C. Millersville State College
Millersville, Pennsylvania
March 17, 1971 (u)

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[REDACTED] that ABBIE HOFFMAN, LEONARD WEINGLASS and GERALD B. LEFCOURT had been scheduled to speak at Millersville State College (MSC), Millersville, Pennsylvania, the evening of March 17, 1971. The three were to begin at 8:00 PM in the Lyte Auditorium, which holds about 900, and had announced that the topic would be "Limits of Political Dissent", "Chicago Seven", and followed by a question and answer session. The scheduling was made by the college Cultural Affairs Committee, an official student-faculty committee of the college, as a last minute substitution when the original speaker, Senator EDMUND MUSKIE (Democrat-Maine), was unable to attend. The booking was made through the American Program Bureau, 59 Temple Place, Boston, Massachusetts. Tickets for the program were free for any student who displayed a current Student Activity Card. No non-student individuals were to be permitted. (u)

[REDACTED] that HOFFMAN, WEINGLASS, and LEFCOURT arrived at Lancaster County Airport by chartered plane at 7:40 PM and were transported to the MSC campus via private auto. The students were admitted in an orderly fashion and without incident until it was discovered that several persons possessed counterfeit tickets differing in color from the authentic ones. Three persons were thus asked to leave the auditorium and an overflow crowd gathered outside the auditorium protesting their inability to gain admittance to the program. Several rocks were thrown at the auditorium and a glass door shattered by the protestors before Pennsylvania State Police arrived to (u)

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control the situation. The crowd was dispersed and no arrests were made, and no injuries were sustained by either the police or the protestors. Intelligence Journal staff writer, ROGER CLINTON, was hit on the shoulder with an egg but was unharmed. (u)

The program began at 8:10 PM with a short talk by Lefcourt lasting twelve minutes at which time he stated that the government, through its secret police, zeroes in on target organizations with the ambiguous charges of conspiracy. (u)

At 8:22 PM HOFFMAN began speaking and he claimed oppression was everywhere, especially in the colleges and universities. HOFFMAN stated that free speech is presently illegal and that all trials are political and racist. He said that he's fighting the establishment that has created the Vietnam War, hunger, racism, and oppression. He said that the military trials involving Lieutenants and Sergeants were typical of the establishment who punishes its underlings for atrocities brought about by the high ranking military and political officials. HOFFMAN urged those in attendance, if they valued America, they must bury the Philistines in Washington. (u)

At the conclusion of HOFFMAN'S talk, a bomb threat was announced; however, the audience was quite unaffected and no one left the auditorium. (u)

D. Rider College
Lawrenceville, New Jersey
April 4, 1971 (u)

An SA of the FBI observed on April 4, 1971, that at about 8:00 PM, April 4, 1971, approximately 1200 persons gathered at Alumni Gym, Rider College, Lawrenceville, New Jersey, to hear ABBIE HOFFMAN speak. HOFFMAN spoke for approximately 45 minutes during which time he spoke of many things. He talked of the judicial system in the United States and how wrong it is. He stated when all constitutional means to change the Government fail, then there must be a revolution. HOFFMAN shouted numerous obscenities and had virtually no (u)

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continuity to his talk. During the question and answer period, he called for a march to be held in Washington, DC, during the first week of May, 1971. (u)

There was obviously disinterest on the part of those in attendance and many persons left the gym while HOFFMAN was speaking. (u)

E. Oklahoma State University
Stillwater, Oklahoma
April 28, 1971 (u)

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[REDACTED] he had received information that ABBIE HOFFMAN had been invited to speak at the OSU Field House on April 28, 1971. [REDACTED] pointed out that HOFFMAN had been invited by the Student Senate during the past school year to appear at OSU; however, approval for HOFFMAN'S appearance had been denied by the Board of Regents and the administration of OSU. [REDACTED] that since then, new guidelines have been promulgated by the university concerning guest speakers and, as a result, HOFFMAN'S appearance had not been denied. [REDACTED] that HOFFMAN'S scheduled appearance on April 28, 1971, was to be sponsored by the OSU Campus Americans for Democratic Action. He said the appearance of HOFFMAN was tentative based on the sale of at least \$500 worth of tickets, which as of that date, had not been sold. [REDACTED] he had received information that STEPHEN JONES, an attorney from Enid, Oklahoma, who has been prominent in defending various clients on behalf of the American Civil Liberties Union in Oklahoma, was scheduled to introduce HOFFMAN. (u)

In its edition of April 13, 1971, the "Daily O'Collegian", daily OSU newspaper, announced that sufficient tickets had been sold assuring the appearance of HOFFMAN on April 28, 1971. (u)

On April 28, 1971, ABBIE HOFFMAN appeared at the OSU Field House, Stillwater, Oklahoma, at 8:15 PM at which time he was introduced to an orderly crowd of 1,000 to 1,500 persons by STEPHEN JONES. (u)

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HOFFMAN'S speech did not proceed in any orderly nor planned fashion, but he began by saying he had the flu, but in coming to Stillwater, Oklahoma, it was "always a pleasure to visit the United States." He said he was followed by FBI Agents on his trip from New York to Oklahoma and thereafter made a series of critical remarks concerning the FBI and other Federal investigative agencies. HOFFMAN then spent a large portion of his speech in a criticism of the Vietnam policy of the United States Government wherein he accused the "Philistine leaders" in Washington of not telling the American people the truth and of distorting the true facts of our campaigns in Cambodia and Laos. He termed the Vietnam war "immoral and illegal." He accused the United States of ruining the ecology of Vietnam with its various weapons, during which time he held up what he said was a ring given to him by Madame Vienh, one of the Viet Cong representatives at the Paris peace talks, on the occasion of his having had tea with her recently. HOFFMAN said this ring was made from the metal of an American jet plane shot down over North Vietnam. (u)

B. APPROX.


HOFFMAN then spoke of the peace rally being held in Washington, DC, at this time and invited anyone from the audience who could to attend. He stated that on May 3, 1971, his followers planned to enter various buildings in Washington, DC, and named the FBI and the Central Intelligence Agency specifically. He stated also that they planned to visit J. EDGAR HOOVER and "take a lot of pictures." HOFFMAN also spoke of the arrest of LESLIE LACON in Washington, DC, stating the arrest was a frame-up designed to discredit the peace rally. He said the FBI has been "knocking in doors" in every commune and crash pad in Washington, putting guns to people's chins and offering \$100,000 to \$200,000 reward for the whereabouts of BERNARDINE DOHRN. He added, however, that "nobody squealed." (u)

HOFFMAN then spoke of his plans to lead a "Youth International Brigade" during the Washington Peace Rally, which brigade he said was composed of students from outside the United States, and is in support of the "People's Peace Treaty." HOFFMAN also announced that his followers are in the process of opening a new radio station, WPAS, which (u)

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he said was located in the "bowels of the lower east side" in New York, which radio station he said would be open within three or four days. He said this station would make tapes and broadcasts which will be broadcast to United States soldiers in Vietnam through Radio Hanoi during the Washington Peace Rally. (u)

In a response to a question concerning drugs, HOFFMAN said he was opposed to all "needle drugs" and went on to state "the only dope worth shooting is RICHARD NIXON." He also stated he and his fellow defendants in the Chicago trial know they will all be arrested within the next two weeks and that their bonds will be revoked. (u)

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BERNARDINE DOERN is a publicly-known Weatherman leader. (u)

Weatherman, formerly a faction of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), controlled the SDS National Office from June, 1969, until its closing in February, 1970. Weatherman then entered an underground status and adopted a tactic of "strategic sabotage", with police and military installations designated as primary targets. (u)

SDS was founded during June, 1962, at Port Huron, Michigan, and in the 1960's functioned as the leading New Left campus-based student organization in the United States. From a stance of "participatory democracy," the SDS (u)

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moved to a radical-revolutionary position. It maintained a national office at 1608 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, until February, 1970. Internal factionalism during 1969 produced three main factions: Weatherman, Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM), and Worker Student Alliance (WSA). The Weatherman and RYM no longer consider themselves associated with the SDS. The WSA faction continues to use the name SDS. (u)

F. University of Oklahoma
Norman, Oklahoma
April 29, 1971 (u)

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] that ABBIE HOFFMAN made an unscheduled appearance at OU on the morning of April 29, 1971. [REDACTED] HOFFMAN spoke to a group of OU students for about thirty minutes, criticizing the Vietnam war and encouraging OU students to join the antiwar protests beginning Saturday, May 1, 1971, in Washington, DC. (u)

The April 29, 1971, evening edition of the "Oklahoma City Times" newspaper, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, reflected an article concerning HOFFMAN'S visit to OU, which stated in part as follows: (u)

"Radical Yippie leader ABBIE HOFFMAN drew orderly applause and solicited student help in a government-crippling series of May demonstrations this morning, in a surprise University of Oklahoma visit..." HOFFMAN spoke without an honorarium and no admission was charged. (u)

HOFFMAN invited OU students to join two weeks of protests beginning Saturday in Washington and said the activities "will make Chicago in 1968 look like YAF (the conservative Young Americans for Freedom) meeting. We plan to do it, and we plan to do it in the streets when the government opens next Monday." He added, "We're into stopping (u)

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the government - unless they want to stop the war. They've got about 47 hours." (u)

HOFFMAN blasted the Vietnam war in general, commenting, "Fortunately, the Nazis didn't have Madison Avenue to talk about 'protective reaction strikes'." (u)

He invited any interested OU students to put together radical radio programs on tape, to be broadcast from Hanoi to American troops in Vietnam. Broadcasting of similar tapes assembled by his organization in New York will begin before Saturday in North Vietnam, HOFFMAN said. (u)

The April 30, 1971, issue of the "Oklahoma Daily," OU student newspaper, Norman, Oklahoma, reflected an article concerning HOFFMAN'S visit to OU, which stated in part as follows: (u)

ABBIE HOFFMAN, in an unexpected visit to OU on Thursday, April 29, 1971, invited students to visit the "hog farm in Washington" this weekend to participate in a march on the "phallus on the Potomac," the Washington Monument. His decision to appear on the OU campus followed a fund-raising speech at Oklahoma State University (OSU), Stillwater, Oklahoma, Wednesday. He said the purpose of the visit was "just to look around." His appearance at OU was sponsored by the OU Speakers Bureau. (u)

HOFFMAN promised that the march in Washington this weekend would be the most militant demonstration in several years. (u)

He discussed the FBI arrest of LESLIE BACON in connection with the United States Capitol bombing. HOFFMAN stated Miss BACON was a key organizer of the planned Washington march and that the action by the FBI was an attempt to cripple the confrontation. (u)

HOFFMAN described United States action in Vietnam as a "racist policy." He continued by saying that the government

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believes that "non-white people want to die more than white people." He added that the Vietnam war was "showing that a great technological country that serves people can destroy people." (u)

He urged OU students to support the planned May 5th demonstration in Washington by "going on strike from this nursery school and joining the nation-wide student strike." He explained the purpose of the May 5 rally as "trying to stop the functioning of the government." He encouraged students to go into the streets and begin "living the revolution so that everywhere you look you see an issue, everywhere you go, you see pigs." (u)

In a question and answer period, HOFFMAN mentioned his published book "Woodstock Nation" and said that proceeds from the book had gone, in part, into his radio station in New York, WPAX, and into preparing tapes for servicemen. The tapes, which include legal advice to GIs, are broadcast from North Vietnam and various radio stations in the United States. He added that \$25,000 went into bail funds for Black Panther Party (BPP) members. HOFFMAN also stated that \$380,000 had been used as bond following the convictions of HOFFMAN, TOM HAYDEN, JERRY RUBIN and others in the Chicago conspiracy trial. (u)

HOFFMAN referred to another book, begun immediately after the Chicago Seven conspiracy trial, had not been published. He said, "I tried to write a book that no one would publish - and after eight months, I succeeded." He said the book taught "how to rip-off everything in the country and how to survive as outlaws." (u)

"In closing, HOFFMAN disclosed that 'we plan to go to the Republican convention in '72. We hear that they're planning to hold it in Norman,' he joked, 'it's the only safe place'." (u)

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The BPP is a black extremist organization started in Oakland, California, in December, 1966. It advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics to bring about the overthrow of the United States Government. (u)

On February 18, 1970, THOMAS HAYDEN and JERRY RUBIN were found guilty in the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois, for violating the Federal Anti-Riot Law Statute for traveling in interstate commerce from outside the State of Illinois with intent to incite riots in Chicago, Illinois, during the Democratic National Convention in August, 1968. On February 20, 1970, they were sentenced to five years imprisonment and fined \$5,000. On February 28, 1970, the United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, Chicago, Illinois ordered them released on \$25,000 bond, pending appeal of their conviction. (u)

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[REDACTED] made available a copy of a tape recording of the speech made by the subject at the University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma, on April 29, 1971, excerpts of which are set out as follows: (u)

"We are finally going to be (illegible)... There're already thousands of young people in Washington. This Saturday and Sunday will be a 48-hour rock concert, there are over thirty rock groups, ARLO GUTHRIE, PETER, PAUL and MARY, MOTHER EARTH, ARETHA FRANKLIN and loads of people. JAMES BROWN just announced two days ago that he was going to go there and play and there should be somewhere upwards of 100,000 people supporting and celebrating the People's Peace Treaty that's been signed by people throughout this country and throughout Vietnam, and indeed in fact throughout the world, because people throughout the world see

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"the war in Vietnam and U.S. imperialism as a world problem. They recognize that they, too, live in a global village and there are people from at least ten different countries to form youth international brigades that plan to march this weekend in Washington. (u)

"On Monday, when the Government opens at dawn, well, I think it's about 9 to 5 they work down there. Early birds get the worm, so we'll be up early. We'll march out from the Washington Monument, the phallus of the Potomac, and we'll go into the streets of Washington and into the offices and we plan to do it and we plan to do it in the streets and we hope the people will come. We expect it to be the most largest, the most militant demonstration. It's gonna make Chicago in August of 1969 look like a YAF meeting. So there are over 300 groups from around the country that have been working out with automobiles and buses that are gonna self-destruct in the street. (u)

"We'll visit J. EDGAR HOOVER and take a lot of good pictures of him. Yesterday, as you probably know, they arrested one of the key organizers of the May Day demonstrations, LESLIE BACON, nineteen years old, in connection with the Capitol bombing. LESLIE was definitely not in the men's room in the Capitol on that day, but somehow, the FBI, you know, has managed to connect her in some way, but we think it's a direct attempt to cripple these demonstrations. It is no coincidence that it comes four days before the climax of these demonstrations and it's no coincidence that she has been an active organizer and we have heard that the FBI plans to arrest a number of people. They have been kicking in doors, they have been putting guns under the chins of people, they have been offering loads of rewards to people to turn in their brothers and sisters, not the kind of stuff you see EFREM ZIMBALIST carrying out every Sunday night (illegible). (u)

"There are number of - there are things we can do. First of all, we have to begin to understand that the Vietnamization program is just a racist policy of seeing to it that non-white people, ten to one, die instead of white people and we have got to guard against that (u)

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"We were in Paris just three weeks ago talking with the Vietnamese and we wanted to use the tape recorder and one of the people had, one of the sisters had a camera, you know, and all of a sudden you could see the people getting a little edgy and then they ran it down to us. They said in North Vietnam they had six tape recorders. Everything we see about technology, every time somebody puts in a plug, everytime somebody uses the word 'electricity,' every time somebody talks of media, every time (illegible) the people are talking death, you know, and that's the unfortunate part about this war, that it's shown that great technology, you know, as well as serving people can be used to exterminate people and this country has perfected it, you know, and taken it one step beyond the Nazis, because we don't even respond to it. (u)

"And you look at MELVIN LAIRD, you look at General MITCHELL, you look at President AGNEW, and you look at these people and you say they're reasonable, they're rational, they're responsible people, you know. They're not violent, they're not crazy, you know, like the hippies and Yippies and blacks and Indians and everything. But we have got to wash those myths out of our minds and begin to see those so-called reasonable, responsible, rational people that run the banks, that run this university, that run the Government, and you look around and you know, you've seen one Board of Trustees, you've seen them all. (u)

"So we hope you come to Washington and if you don't, we hope you'll sign the People's Peace Treaty and declare peace and live it, and start to build a new society, a new nation, you know, that rejects the values and the institutions, the competition and the greed and the brutality of a decadent racist empire whose days have come, and like the dinosaurs of old, the Philistines in Washington, we go down there, we'll be joyously dancing on their graves because we know their days have come. We know we can whip them in court rooms, we can whip them in the street and whip them right in their own office buildings, right in their own nests, and I hope you can swipe a plane or something and come on down. If you can't (u)

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"make it, you might come out on May 5, you know, and go on strike in this nursery school, you know, and join the nation-wide student strike of May fifth, you know. But all the dates, the dates are just high points in a, in an organizer's trip. I mean we have got to begin to live the revolution in our daily lives and begin to have, you know, get our minds straight so we walk down the street, every place we go, we see an issue, every place we go, we see pigs, you know, and then we begin to think right. (u)

"We're, we got some bread from last night's rappin' and goes to a radio station that we started called WPAX, a group of us in New York; and we noticed for a long time there's been a tremendous communication gap in the information broadcast by the Voice of America and the Armed Forces Network and we prepared these tapes - radio shows, and we send them to governments and stations around the world that will play them two hours a day for servicemen and servicewomen overseas; and we think that if we are gonna affect U.S. foreign policy, we've got to reach the people in the front lines that are carryin' it out and any day now before May first, we will come boomin' out of North Vietnam and certain liberated stations in the south and JIMME HENDRIX sings the Star Spangled Banner and a new nation is on the air, live, and it's gonna be cool and if there's a group of radio freaks here that want to get together and work on a tape, you know, come up and I'll tell you where to send the tapes. Tapes come from all over the country, from people's groups, JOHN LENNON, YOKO ONO, did original tape, just sent it to us last week, good raps like that. Stuff goin' on, you know, that they won't play. The communication gap is somethin' fierce. We learned from GIS in the Mekong Delta, for example, wasn't til four weeks after the invasion of Laos occurred that they were even informed that such an invasion was occurin'. You know, just total censorship. We have one show of lawyers giving legal advice, you know, every week to GIS who write in to our post office box, WPAX, Post Office Box 410, New York, New York, Zip Code 1003, 0 0, couple zeros. So if you're into helpin' us out with tapes, things like that, you know, might dig it. I'll take a couple answers - questions (illegible). You've got a point." (u)

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"We ain't marchin'. We ain't marchin'. I mean, we're not gonna march. That was last week. That was a TROTSKYite fund-raising rally. We are not into that. We're into trying to stop the functioning of the government. Unless, of course, they want to stop the war. They've got about 47 hours." (u)

G. Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU)
Florham Park, Madison, New Jersey
May 13, 1971 (u)

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[REDACTED] that on the evening of May 13, 1971, ABBOTT HOFFMAN spoke to an audience of approximately 750 at the student center cafeteria on the Florham Park-Madison campus of Fairleigh Dickinson University. The audience was composed mainly of students. His appearance was sponsored by the Student Judicial Court, Chairman, RONALD B. HALPERN. HOFFMAN'S talk was full of vulgarities and obscenities and consisted of an attack on government institutions as not serving the needs of the people and calling upon the audience to drop out of the present society and "live free". He was unresponsive to questions from the audience in that he either misunderstood or ignored the point of each question and never really gave an answer. (u)

The "Star Ledger", a daily newspaper published in Newark, New Jersey, in its May 14, 1971 issue, contained the following article concerning HOFFMAN'S speech: (u)

"ABBIE Assails His Indictment in FDU Speech" (u)

"ABBIE HOFFMAN last night criticized the government for indicting him in connection with the antiwar protests in Washington last week. (u)

"I had about as much to do with the demonstrations.. as the Capital bombing or the earthquake in Los Angeles, which I also expect to be indicted for," HOFFMAN told about 500 persons at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison. (u)

"I was just one freak out of 30,000 freaks," he added. (u)

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"The government is watching old movies and putting us on trial - putting us on trial although we truly do welcome this chance to go into the court and teach the government a lesson it deserves," said HOFFMAN. (u)

"We plan to chew up the law, to chew up the courts, to chew up the racist-imperialist government down there in Washington, chewing up all those FBI agents and prosecutors' phony witnesses". (u)

V. TELEVISION AND RADIO
APPEARANCES

A. "Paul Benzaquin Show"
Boston, Massachusetts
April 19, 1971 (u)

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HOFFMAN appeared on the "Paul Benzaquin Show," a live television show at WNAC-TV, Channel 7, Boston, Massachusetts, on that date, which is broadcast from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM, and which show is carried as an interview-talk show. (u)

[REDACTED] after HOFFMAN left the studios of WNAC-TV, HOFFMAN proceeded to the residence at 10 Goodman Road, Cambridge, Massachusetts, which is the residence of HOFFMAN'S estranged wife, SHEILA HOFFMAN. (u)

B. "Kup's Show"
Chicago, Illinois
May 8, 1971 (u)

On May 25, 1971, a Special Agent of the FBI, observed a reshowing of the program "Kup's Show", a television conversation program moderated by IRVING KUPCINET, which had originally been telecast on Channel 5, television station WMAQ-TV, Chicago, Illinois, on May 8, 1971. (u)

The subject appeared on the program with his wife, ANITA HOFFMAN, who stated near the end of the program that although she and the subject are expecting a child soon, they are not formally married. (u)

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Others on the program were GEORGE REEDY, formerly associated with the administration of LYNDON B. JOHNSON, as Press Secretary; GERMAINE GREER, author; SOL OLINSKY, community organizer and author; and PERRY WOLF, associated with the production of the CBS television program "The Selling of the Pentagon". (u)

The subject was queried by the moderator regarding his recent experiences in the demonstrations in Washington, DC. He was critical of the series of intimidating actions used to oppose the demonstrations; the 12,000 illegal arrests; the interference with the rock concert over the weekend there just prior to the demonstrations. He stated he would not really be tried for what occurred, since he had little to do with the organization of these demonstrations. He was charged with assault, however, this is the usual charge, standard procedure, when one is clubbed by a cop. He advised he was confident he would be acquitted of that charge. He agreed that the defendants in the recent so-called Conspiracy 7 trial were doing well, describing the trial as highly political in nature, and the law as one which was inhibitive of free speech. (u)

In subsequent exchanges of conversation the subject denied being a "leader" of any of the actions in Washington. He verbally attacked REEDY'S former job with the Johnson administration as one which had been to lie and cover up for JOHNSON'S policies. The kids in Washington had been more open about their power concepts, as opposed to backroom politics. (u)

The subject had noted when "running through the streets" that Washington had not been like Chicago, that even the "hard hats" in Washington had been giving the peace sign. He felt it was not proper, referring the world position of the United States, for a country with one-sixteenth of the world's population to control one-half of the world's resources as we do. He noted that we own half of Canada, and attacked as illusions the views of OLINSKY that effective changes

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can be wrought by working within the system. He accused OLINSKY of being a tame system radical, a safety valve maintained by the system to show a semblance of permissiveness. He noted he hated to see OLINSKY attack them (himself and ANITA) and side with LYNDON B. JOHNSON'S press secretary. When directly questioned by REEDY if he was a revolutionary he replied he was a Young Republican. He was questioned as to his finances, and noted he had given \$25,000, earned from book royalties for a BPP member's bond, and the individual had promptly "split". He made brief reference to his support for radio station WPAX, described as a source of radical and cultural news, however, the subject matter then changed. (u)

Near the conclusion of the program the subject advised, in response to questioning, that "our" (his culture's) liberation demands what was formerly unrealistic. His world is a world of plenty, a global village, where important matters are not those of materialism, but the freedom from the structures of the past. OLINSKY'S world, he charged, was one which still concerned the urgent priorities and structures of the 1930's. When questioned regarding what he would envision as a society to replace the present, he replied he could envision a world without the United States, that like astronauts "we" knew we were going, a reference to an OLINSKY comment to the effect that in order to bring about change one had to start somewhere and have a purpose. He mentioned that, laughing, one of the places he was going was to Washington, DC, on July 4, 1971. (u)

C. "Alan Douglas Program"
Cleveland, Ohio
May 13, 1971 (u)

During the evening of May 10, 1971, ALAN DOUGLAS interviewed the subject and his wife, ANITA, on his program which was a two hour public radio broadcast over Cleveland, Ohio, radio station WKYC. The substance of their conversation is as follows: (u)

The subject said that the FBI had not been very successful at infiltrating the Underground. He stated that the Weathermen and Weatherwomen have proved to be the hardest fugitives to apprehend in the history of the FBI. The subject said that the youth movement is using its culture as a defense to inhibit penetration by FBI Agents as hippies, since youths living in a communal existence for the most part are dirty, diseased, and wear long hair. The subject stated that attempts by FBI agents to infiltrate the Underground are equivalent to JIMMY STEWART, the actor, attempting to enter an Apache village. However, the subject said that within the last year this has changed somewhat, since agents have started growing long hair. (u)

ANITA HOFFMAN stated that she had recently written a book entitled, "Trashing" under the pseudonym of ANN PRETAMINE. Actually, she said, the subject had written the book. ANITA stated that after the bombing of the Capitol, that the FBI had asked the publishers of this book if BERNARDINE DOHRN had written it, since the book contained an endorsement by her. ANITA stated that DOHRN had written the endorsement, and that the subject, and she had seen BERNARDINE at the Chicago Conspiracy Trial just before BERNARDINE went underground. (u)

The subject stated that the FBI had recently arrested him in New York City subsequent to his escape from Washington DC following his arrest there during the May Day Demonstration. The subject stated he had been smuggled out of jail in a garbage can. The subject further stated in a facetious manner that he did not know either RENNIE DAVIS or JOHN FROINES and had not conspired with them regarding the May Day Demonstration in Washington, DC. (u)

DOUGLAS, the moderator, asked the subject how many times he had been arrested. The subject responded that he thought that he had been arrested 44 times and had been involved in 20 trials. (u)

The subject then advised that Kent State University (KSU) is currently the most intriguing campus in the nation. He stated that there are at least 200 police agents on campus. (u)

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in addition to other infiltrators and informants. According to the subject, the four students killed at KSU in May, 1970, were depicted by the United States Government as being clean cut dupes, when actually they were "scruffy hippies" who were involved in radical activities on campus. DOUGLAS then commented that the known campus radicals at KSU who had appeared on several "talk" shows prior to the shootings, were not present on campus when the four students were shot. The subject answered with "baloney". DOUGLAS then said he could furnish names of such radicals who were on campus to the subject off the air. The subject did not further comment on the subject, however, the program at this point temporarily went off the air. (u)

DOUGLAS then asked the subject if revolution was his most important consideration. The subject responded that "love is the most important thing. Fortunately, we do not have to distinguish between love and revolution". DOUGLAS then asked the subject, "given the present state of the country, why do we need a revolution". The subject stated that the youth movement now is trying to form a New Nation, also known as the Woodstock Nation, with its avowed purpose being the establishment of new values. The subject believes in a utopian society where there is no work. He stated that his philosophy is contained in his book, "Tales of HOFFMAN" which Random House has refused to publish because it contains specific instructions on how to steal and fight. The subject stated that Random House had refused to publish his book because it did not contain enough theory. (u)

The subject stated that people need to be taught how to survive without working and that his book teaches the poor how to "rip off" welfare. (u)

Regarding the Chicago Seven Conspiracy Trial, the subject stated that he was positive that the defendants would be victorious and that the court system had already been exposed as being ludicrous. (u)

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The subject and his wife then answered telephone inquiries, and he reiterated his belief that once an individual attains a birth certificate, he is entitled to everything necessary to survive without working for it. He further advised that the book, "Trashing" contains a chapter dealing with the use of phony telephone credit cards. (u)

D. "Howard Miller's Chicago"
Chicago, Illinois
May 11, 1971 (u)

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[REDACTED] that the subject and his wife, ANITA HOFFMAN, appeared on the television conversation show, "Howard Miller's Chicago," aired over television station WBBM-TV, Chicago, Illinois, on May 11, 1971. [REDACTED] audio recording of the subject's remarks, excerpts from which are set forth as follows: (u)

"Ah, I was involved in the trial about a year ago here in town. Did, you heard about that.... (u)

"Well, one thing I learned in that trial and I've been traveling to other countries, ah quite a bit during the last year and most people conclude that if there was one person responsible for what the government itself called a police riot, it happens to be the fair mayor of this town, but you cannot conceive of the mayor of this town and the chief of police and the superintendent of police being put on trial for conspiracy to incite riot. You can't conceive of that because the courts are not there to punish people like Mayor DALEY or for that matter to assert any kind of justice. They're there to protect the power and the property of people like Mayor DALEY. (u)

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"Ah, well lets, lets take ah the demonstrations in Washington. I'm accused of having given a speech in Oklahoma, where I said a couple of words about why don't you go to Washington, you know and have a good time and a, ah I'm in no way connected with the May Day Collective.... (u)

"... the IRS, which has a much better intelligence apparatus than the FBI, which of the four agencies watching me, the FBI is the worse. They just have EFREM ZIMBALIST and a good PR department, but IRS has done quite a bit of research and is assessing me taxes for civil rights groups that I was in, you know, in 66, 67, in fact they're assessing me \$12,000 for money raised and given to the Chicago Conspiracy a defense here in Chicago, uhm.... (u)

"They a, they a think that that's how they're going to get us, a you know through the use of the IRS, but a I would say in terms of not charging money for speeches a for books, a, a the trial here in Chicago and the appeal costs something like \$400,000 and a as I say, the profits from this book go to the radio station WPAX, which broadcasts antiwar news to servicemen and servicewomen and a, a profits from other books went to committee to defend the panthers, went to other trials, went for bail money and a, I just think you know a, that a school administrations, rich school administrations a, television shows, you know, publishers can afford to pay for a myself, ANITA and brothers and sisters who get ripped off and put in jail. (u)

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"I'm, I'm a we're involved in a cultural revolution so we don't, we don't, it's not tied to a political ideology, it's tied to viewing America as a decadent empire and viewing what we're involved in as, as the birth of a new nation, new symbols, new flag, a, you know, new form of a human relationship with each other, you know non-exploitive." (u)

E. "Underground News" Program
Chicago, Illinois
May 14, 1971 (u)

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[REDACTED] tape recording of the television program "Underground News" which had originally been telecast on Channel 44, television station WSNS-TV, Chicago, Illinois, on May 14, 1971. (u)

[REDACTED] that the subject appeared on the program with a female who the source stated he understood was the subject's wife, ANITA HOFFMAN. (u)

The following are excerpts of the subject's remarks on the program concerning his recently published book entitled, "Steal This Book": (u)

"That was one reason why 'Steal This Book' was a challenge 'cause I tried to write a book that nobody would publish. Which indeed is very difficult if you've had, ah, two or three books that, ah, you know, best sellers that have sold hundreds of thousands of copies and that they'll, they'll publish anything that you write. So, it's hard to really write a book that they wouldn't publish. Ahm, an, and among other things, getting back to the television point, both the medias and my books are, ah, are, ah, Yippie books instead of New Left books. In other words they're devoid of intellectual content. Ah... (laughter)...they're ah, they're ah, (u)

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"....you know, we're not writing for left wing newspapers, you know, we're not writing for people that are already converted. We're writing for, ah, seven, eight year old, nine year old peoples (laughter) ah, ah...you know." (u)

F. "Arnold Zenker Show"
Baltimore, Maryland
May 1, 1971 (u)

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[REDACTED] ABBOTT H. HOFFMAN, arrived in Baltimore, Maryland, during the early afternoon of April 17, 1971, where he video taped an appearance on the "Arnold Zenker Show," WJZ-TV, a local Baltimore talk show. [REDACTED] the video tape would be shown on the Arnold Zenker Program on May 1, 1971. (u)

ABBOTT HOFFMAN and his wife, ANITA HOFFMAN, appeared on the Arnold Zenker Program, WJZ-TV, Baltimore, Maryland, on May 1, 1971, from 10:30 PM to 11:00 PM and were interviewed by the program's host, ARNOLD ZENKER. (u)

In response to several questions concerning "work", the subject stated substantially as follows: (u)

Individuals come into society and are told to work, work, work, and you see what work has done to your parents. Work has them tied to lawnmowers on weekends and five life insurance policies during the week. Why? Because our capitalistic machine society has people performing as robots. Work is always removed from the joy of the activity itself. (u)

If we say we do not want to work, this does not mean we do not believe in any form of activity. In three years I have written four books, have done two movies, have been in twelve trials and I have participated in thirty-seven riots. Thus I have managed to play pretty high, but I do not call it work. There is a myth that because society is totalitarian, (u)

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railroad trains run on time. However, they do not. We are supposed to have an advanced phone system, but we have been trying to call California for three days. (u)

We live by the book. At a point we must move to go beyond being parasites and develop our own phone system. We have to do it ourselves for the society in which we live is committed to falling apart and we must make the decision, are we going to participate in this type of decay, or are we going to start setting up an alternative system. (u)

In a response to a question from the audience concerning his recent book, "Revolution For The Hell of It", the subject stated substantially as follows: (u)

This type of question is difficult to answer. He stated I do not write books, I paint them. HOFFMAN stated first I am saying there is a revolution going on in this country; I don't think we want to explain it. That would be like a direct insult to the people who are not already involved in it by saying, "there is a revolution for the hell of it," but there is no explanation. (u)

Secondly, I am saying perhaps there is no historical corollary for this particular kind of revolution where young white children from families who have had a great deal, look around and realize in order to keep the silver spoon in their mouth they are going to choke, the way their parents are. Therefore, they run off from home and become involved in different life styles than their parents. So, there is no real revolution that comes because you are pressed against the wall in a physical sense. The Vietnamese have no choice but to fight. Black people in the ghettos have no choice but to fight. It is a matter of survival. To the young white kid, it seems to be a psychic need, the same kind of ghetto exists in the suburbs of Baltimore and they have a need to strike out. (u)

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In response to a question from the audience concerning the means to be used to accomplish a classless society, the subject replied, "They are violent." (u)

In a response to a question by the host, ARNOLD ZENKER, as to whether or not he is a violent revolutionary, the subject stated: (u)

"We keep a Buddha in the kitchen to guard our cooking and a shotgun in the bedroom to preserve our sleep. People have a right to defend themselves and their culture." (u)

VI. WRITINGS

[REDACTED] subject's new book entitled, "Steal This Book", which apparently would be published by Grove Press in New York City. (u) 67D

[REDACTED] that the subject intends to write another new book which is apparently a sequel, entitled, "How To Steal The White House". (u)

"Other Scenes" is an underground-type magazine, published periodically in the New York City area. (u) 67D

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[REDACTED] that the subject's new book entitled, "Steal This Book" was at that time being sold by Pirate Editions, located on the fifth floor of 640 Broadway, New York City. (u)

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[REDACTED] anarchist circles feel that the book, which advocates and describes illegal acts such as robbery and larceny, "helps destroy the establishment by 'ripping off' the economic structure". (u)

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

The "New York Post" in its May 19, 1971, issue, on page 18, column three, contained an article entitled, "ABBIE and Three Panthers Suing Cops", which stated in part as follows: (u)

"Three Black Panthers acquitted of conspiracy charges have joined ABBIE HOFFMAN and 12 other plaintiffs in a federal lawsuit asking that police undercover activities be placed under control of the courts (u)

"The suit was brought in U.S. District Court here today against the Police Dept. Special Services Division, 'also known as the Bureau of Special Services', or BOSS. (u)

"It asks that BOSS officials be forced to 'step their activities of infiltration, the use of informers and the use of overt surveillance at demonstrations and other gatherings. (u)

"Three police undercover agents provided most of the prosecution testimony at the recently concluded trial of 13 Panthers. The three Panthers who joined today's suit were CURTIS POWELL, ALEX MC KIEVER and LEE ROPER, also known as Shaba Um. (u)

"The suit also demands 'prior judicial scrutiny' before BOSS officials assign any agent to any political organization or install any wiretaps or bugs. (u)

"The plaintiffs also ask that BOSS' intelligence files on individuals be turned over to the court for inspection, and that those that have 'no reasonable relationship to (u)

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legitimate government functions be destroyed.' (u)

"MARTIN STOLAR of the Lawyers Commune and JETHRO EISENSTEIN of the National Civil Liberties Committee filed the suit, with the support of the National Lawyers Guild, the New York Civil Liberties Union and the Center for Constitutional Rights." (u)

The National Lawyers Guild is a communist front organization of lawyers and law students dedicated to Communist Party, USA, and New Left ideals for radical change of the social, economic and judicial systems in the United States. (u)



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NOTE:

Hoffman is one of the "Chicago 7" defendants convicted of Antiriot Law violation and cited for Contempt of Court. He is presently free on appeal bond from the Chicago proceedings and is currently under indictment in connection with Antiriot Law violations occurring on May 3, 1971, in Washington, D. C.



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Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of a book written by the subject entitled "Steal This Book."

The following comments are made concerning the enclosure:

"Steal This Book" distributed by Grove Press under its Pirate Editions, New York City, authored by ABBIE HOFFMAN, describes itself as "A handbook of survival and warfare for the citizens of the Woodstock Nation" and proudly notes the manuscript was rejected by some thirty publishers. Finally foisted on the reading public by Grove Press, "Steal This Book" amounts to nothing more than a rehash of HOFFMAN'S revolutionary concepts previously revealed in his books "Revolution For The Hell of It" and the "Woodstock Nation." His first work - with the patently obscene title relating to the "System" - is also represented to some degree.

Basically, "Steal This Book" is intended (in addition to making money for its author) as a "manuel" for the budding revolutionary and, as such, sets forth in detail ways and means for the commission of petty crime from simple shoplifting and credit card theft to the construction of Molotov cocktails and bombs.

The reader is taken through the entire range of revolutionary philosophy which, in HOFFMAN'S case, takes some real hard twists and turns. For example, in the chapter on stealing food the author instructs his followers to sneak into a restaurant and finish the scraps left on a plate by some hasty diner. This alone could terminate the careers of

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many affluent revolutionaries before they even started. There is even a short chapter on revolutionary cooking - complete with recipes - setting forth hip instructions for the making of such exotic dishes like "Yippie Yagurt," "Street Salad" and "Weatherbeans." The latter, like most of the dishes, is simply good old red kidney beans with variations.

Parts of "Steal This Book" are written in the well-known tongue-in-cheek HOFFMAN style which perhaps, adds to his reputation as the true comic of the radical left. Most sections, however, appear to be deadly serious and the reader would be well warned to take them that way.

"Steal This Book" is divided roughly into three main sections - Survive, Fight and Liberate, followed by an appendix section listing underground organizations (many of which are no longer in operation) and a section setting forth books relating to revolutionary views which can be "stolen" or liberated from the country's libraries. In brief, the first section covers the field of free (read stolen) necessities of life like free food, clothing, land, housing, education, medical care, money and travel.

Most of the second part covers such revolutionary actions as how to start an underground newspaper, guerrilla radio, demonstrations and equipment for same, "trashing" and street fighting and "People's Chemistry" for the making of all types of bombs - stink, smoke, sterno, aerosol and pipe. Naturally, HOFFMAN includes a chapter on first aid for the neophyte revolutionary.

The third section is comprised of a compilation of the usual HOFFMAN nonsense in which he endlessly preaches his ideas in "bringing down the system." In general, "Steal This Book" is poorly organized and written. It's appeal to anything but a tiny section of the reading public is questionable at best.

The Bureau may desire to have the department determine if the contents of this book constitute any violations of local or federal statutes.

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Director, FBI

ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN
SECURITY MATTER - YOUTH INTERNATIONAL PARTY

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

August 6, 1971

1 - Miss [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

Considerable public interest has been evidenced in a recently published book, entitled "Steal This Book," written by subject, who was indicted on May 13, 1971, on Federal antiriot charges by a Federal Grand Jury in Washington, D. C. This book is distributed by Grove Press, Incorporated, New York, New York, and is copyrighted by Pirate Editions, Incorporated, 640 Broadway, New York, New York 10012. A copy of this book is enclosed for your information and assistance.

A review of the enclosed book discloses it is a manual for revolutionary extremists containing, among other information, detailed instructions regarding the use of weapons, and the manufacture and use of explosive devices. Because of the inherent threat that the distribution of the book poses to this country's internal security, we would appreciate your opinion as to whether the authorship, distribution, and/or publication of same constitutes any violation of Federal law.

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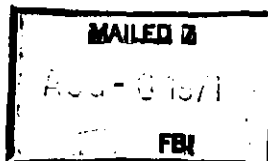
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"Steal This Book" is a 308-page paperback effort divided into three main sections - "Survive," "Fight," and "Liberate," followed by an appendix section listing underground organizations and "Other Books Worth Stealing." In brief, the first section covers obtaining the necessities

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of life, with much of the second part covering such revolutionary actions as starting an underground newspaper, guerrilla radio broadcasting, and "People's Chemistry," concerning the manufacturing of all types of bombs. The third section provides detailed instructions regarding ways to live freely or very inexpensively in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco.

In view of the contents of "Steal This Book," Internal Security Division of Department being queried for an opinion as to whether authorship, distribution, and/or publication constitutes a violation of Federal law.

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HOFFMAN

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RE: BU A/S DATED 5/5/71

ACTION DESIRED

☐ Acknowledge

☐ Assign ☐ Reassign

☐ Bring file

☐ Call me

☐ Correct

☐ Deadline

☐ Deadline passed

☐ Delinquent

☐ Discontinue

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☐ File

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☐ Handle

☐ Initial & return

☐ Leads need attention

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

☐ Rotor #:

☐ Open Case

☐ Prepare lead cards

☐ Prepare tickler

☐ Return assignment card

☐ Return file

☐ Search and return

☐ See me

☐ Serial #

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SAC John F. Malone

Office New York

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SAC, New York (100-161445)

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Director, FBI (100-449923)

ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN, aka
SM - YOUTH INTERNATIONAL PARTY
(KEY ACTIVIST) (EXTREMIST)

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ReLA summary teletype dated 8/27/71 captioned
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Attached is a Xerox copy of a letter written by
subject appearing on page 4 in the 8/13/71 issue of the
underground newspaper "Seed" published in Chicago.

Attached article indicates Hoffman is planning to
organize a "Hustler's Convention" which will bring together
experts on draft evasion, safecracking, shoplifting, dope
dealing, and other subjects; and he is looking for a Midwest
campus at which to stage such a convention.

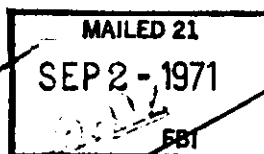
In view of the foregoing it would appear Hoffman
is planning a "Hustler's Convention" and you should insure
that appropriate sources and informants in the New Left
movement are alert for, and bring to your attention, any
information regarding this convention.

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Letter to New York
Re: Abbott Howard Hoffman, aka
100-449923

Any information developed regarding Hoffman's plans in this regard should be submitted to the Bureau in form suitable for dissemination, together with recommendations for possible countermeasures by this Bureau.

ALL INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN NEW LEFT EXTREMIST ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS BECAUSE OF THEIR KNOWN ADVOCACY AND USE OF EXPLOSIVES, REPORTED ACQUISITION OF FIREARMS AND INCENDIARY DEVICES, AND KNOWN PROPENSITY FOR VIOLENCE.

NOTE:

Hoffman is one of the "Chicago 7" defendants, convicted of Antiriot Law violation and cited for Contempt of Court. He is presently free on appeal bond from the Chicago proceedings and is also under indictment in connection with Antiriot Law violations occurring on May 3, 1971, in Washington, D. C. Since there appears to be some substance to the possibility that Hoffman is organizing a "Hustler's Convention," we are instructing New York to be alert for, and furnish Bureau, any information in this regard.

HIGH!

We're all excited that you're serializing STEAL THIS BOOK and I'm rushing you under separate cover the newest edition with a few changes. I've always loved the Seed, can you put me on subscription or save our little baby "America" so he'll be brought up right from the beginning. I enjoyed your added comments. I only saw the food (first) chapter, so be sure & send the rest. We are hoping to do more books this way through Pirate Editions. One thing, can you mention at the end of each article that they can get the whole book by writing to Pirate Editions, 640 Broadway, N.Y., N.Y. 10012 and enclosing \$2.20 (includes postage). I think that's a fair request. We are working on a sequel called "STEAL THIS BOOK TOO" with a lot more new info and expect to have it out next spring. Also we are trying to get together a "RIP-OFF INSTITUTE" with real experts in these areas. We are looking for a mid-west campus that will host a "Hustler's Convention" with experts on draft evasion, safe-cracking, shoplifting, dope dealing, etc. giving workshops, we hope to have Willie Sutton give the key note address. Any Chicago pros would be welcome to get in touch right away for their honorarium...they must submit a resume just like the big institutes due, we ain't out to get hustlers by some amateur panhandlers. Also some pro on making do in Chicago should attend. If all goes right, we'll hold it this November. See you soon. There will always be a warm spot in my heart for Chicago--actually more than a warm spot--sort of a heart burn.

Chow!
Abbie Hoffman.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Memorandum

TO : Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: September 29, 1971

FROM : Robert C. Mardian
Assistant Attorney General
Internal Security Division *pm*

SUBJECT: Abbott Howard Hoffman
Security Matter - Youth International Party

Reference is made to your correspondence to the Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division, dated August 6, 1971, and captioned above.

We have conducted a thorough analysis and review of Steal This Book by Abbie Hoffman. We note that much of the book deals with obtaining goods and services at little or no cost, with many lists of people and organizations of a charitable nature. Criminal conduct is encouraged (shoplifting, fraud, etc.) but we feel the book falls short of specific violation of Federal law in this regard.

Destructive devices and weaponry are topics discussed in some detail, but because of the ready accessibility of this information elsewhere, it can not be concluded that this aspect of the book is violative of Federal law.

We have therefore concluded that the authorship, distribution, and/or publication of it does not constitute a violation of Federal law.

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Director, FBI (100-449923)

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ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN
SM - YIP (EXTREMIST)
(KEY ACTIVIST)

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Recent newspaper articles have indicated subject has had his hair cut to a more conventional length.

In order to insure that this Bureau is able to fulfill its internal security responsibilities, promptly obtain an up-to-date photograph of subject and furnish same to the Bureau under the above caption.

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Hoffman is one of the "Chicago 7" defendants convicted of ARL violation and cited for COC. He is presently free on appeal bond from Chicago proceedings and is also under indictment in connection with ARL violations occurring on 5/3/71 in Washington, D. C. In view of subject's notoriety and Key Activist status, we should be in possession of up-to-date photograph of Hoffman.

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SAC, New York (100-161445)

10/21/71

Director, FBI (100-449923)

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Miss [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN
ARL - COC
SM - YIP (EXTREMIST)
(KEY ACTIVIST)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 2/3/82 BY SP8/STC

ReNYairtel 10/18/71.

Recent correspondence concerning Hoffman noted he will be residing at 1441 Frenchman's Bay, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, from late 10/71 through 4/72.

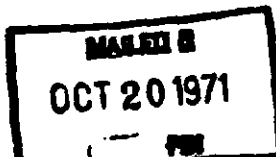
Referenced New York airtel noted that, according to information available to the New York Office, subject is not permanently relocating in the Virgin Islands and, in view of this, New York Office is not planning to change the office of origin to San Juan during Hoffman's Virgin Islands stay.

For the information of recipients, while normal Bureau policy regarding Key Activists would require a change of office of origin to San Juan, it is felt that the overall investigative factors involved regarding Hoffman make it advisable to retain New York as office of origin. It should be recognized, however, that although not being designated office of origin, San Juan is nonetheless responsible, under the Key Activist program, to be knowledgeable regarding the subject's whereabouts and activities during his residence in the Virgin Islands.

Apropos of the Key Activist program, if not already being done, New York should promptly prepare an up-to-date report regarding subject in connection with instructions set forth in Bureau airtel to all offices, dated 3/10/69, captioned "New Left Movement; Black Extremist Activities; Student Agitation - Key Activists."

2 - San Juan

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SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

Letter to New York
Re: Abbott Howard Hoffman
100-449923

NOTE:

Hoffman, one of the "Chicago 8" defendants, was convicted of ARL violation and cited for COC. He is presently free on appeal bond from the Chicago proceedings and is also under indictment in connection with an ARL violation occurring on 5/3/71 in Washington, D. C. Above instructions to New York and San Juan in view of subject's Key Activist status and contemplated residence in the Virgin Islands in the near future.